



TIGARD AMERICAN LEGION POST 158

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NEWSLETTER - MAY/JUNE 2023

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Tigard, Oregon 97223

Happy Spring!

On May 9th 2023 at 7:00 pm, we will have our last General Meeting until September. If there is any general meeting you join this year, please make it to this one as we will be voting in new board members to begin in July. I know you all care about your post and have thoughts on how things should run and as such, this is your opportunity to demonstrate this and vote for the members of the board that align with your values.

As this will also mark my first full year as the Commander of Post 158, I want to express to all of you just how grateful I am for all the members and volunteers that have helped me get up to speed and helped to make all of the wonderful things we have done in the community possible. I am also grateful for all the new ideas and enthusiasm that have come during the last year as we started getting back on track after COVID. While we have accomplished a lot already there is a great deal of work to do for the veterans and citizens of our community and I ask that each of you consider how you could help even in just a small way this next year as every helping hand makes a difference.

If you are interested in volunteering please let me know by emailing me at tigardamericanlegion@gmail.com. There are many board positions open and a few projects that need to get done that can even be done by phone in the comfort of your own home. I hope you all have a great Spring.

Allyson Kropf
Commander

Adjutant's Message

Membership is going well, together with The Legion, The Sons, and The Auxiliary we are approaching 600 members. Of that number almost 300 members have access cards to The Post. Remember though, membership is a responsibility of all of us. Give a former member a call and ask them to rejoin - Covid is over and your post is expanding its hours. We're now open on Sunday from 10:00-6:00 with a Breakfast Buffet from 11:00-1:30. Stop by and visit with old friends.



Volunteer opportunities abound at your post: Help the old boys with the flags for Main Street and Crescent Grove Cemetery this Memorial Day. Check the calendar for yard cleanup with The Riders. Jim, our bar manager, can always use a little help with kitchen duties. It's your Post — get involved.

Marc Cowling
Adjutant



Memorial Day Celebration

Crescent Grove Cemetery

11 AM May 30, 2022

Please bring your own chair

Pot Luck at Post after celebration

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Auxiliary annual solicitation for
donations to our Poppy program
to support veteran programs.
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Check the official Facebook page,
Tigard American Legion (picture of the Post
is at the top) for meal and music information.
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Tigard Legion Baseball is back! Schedule is in the Post.



A Note from the Preservation Task Force

The Preservation Task Force would truly appreciate help at the monthly Post clean-up. Many hands make light work. We only work for an hour or so and then retire to the post for breakfast and company. A great way to meet fellow Post 158 members. We generally meet the last Sunday of each month.



Auxiliary News:

President -

As you may have noticed, May is Poppy month. All donations for poppies are dedicated to veterans programs (not Unit operational expenses, Girls State, or scholarships). Remember that your poppy donations are tax-deductible. If you want a receipt or our tax ID#, let me know. Please donate if you are able, using the envelope provided, before the end of May. You can drop the envelope in the US mail or in our Auxiliary box at the Post. We can accept cash or check but not bitcoin or your first-born.

May is our last meeting before the summer break & before the end of our fiscal year which is June 30. We must vote on our 2023/24 Unit officers. If you want to be an officer and/or vote for officers, be sure to attend the meeting at 7:00 pm in Fisher Hall on May 9.

We will have a 2023/24 planning meeting in July. Once the time & date has been determined I will send an email notification & we will post a notice at the Post so any interested members can attend. If you haven't been getting my periodic emails, be sure to give your email address to either Barb Smith (photonbarb@yahoo.com) or me (nancy.s-scott@comcast.net) so I can include you on my email list.

We will hold a rummage sale at some point late summer or early fall, so if you're doing any spring de-cluttering, save those treasures & watch for an email from me about when you can drop your things off at the Post.

Pray for sunshine!!

Nancy Scott, President



1st Vice -

Please renew if you haven't for 2023, your support allows us to fund many veteran programs. Thank you to all who have renewed for this year. Drop by the post for any of the fun activities planned for this spring and summer.

Barb Smith, 1st VP

2nd Vice -

March and April dinners were both sellouts! The May dinner proceeds will go to the Auxiliary Scholarship Fund, so come and enjoy great food.

Kimberly Reid, 2nd VP



Volunteer Opportunities:

Find out how to help in the following areas:

- ★ Second Vice Commander
- ★ Post Service Officer
- ★ Historian
- ★ David's Chair Program
- ★ Food Bank Program

There are more volunteer opportunities.

If you are interested in the above or more ways to volunteer, please email tigardamericanlegion@gmail.com

Who's Who at Your Post



POST OFFICERS

Commander	Allyson Kropf
1st Vice CDR	Jim Waggoner
2nd Vice CDR	Vacant
Adjutant	Marc Cowling
Finance Officer	Bill Vokoun
Service Officer	Vacant
Sgt. at Arms	Craig Hopkins
Chaplain	Harry Thomas
Historian	Vacant
Judge Advocate	Steve Knapke
E-Board at Large	Lee Hughes Ed Noble
Jr Past CDR	Barb Davis



AUXILIARY

President	Nancy Scott
1st Vice Pres	Barbara Smith
2nd Vice Pres	Kimberly Reid
Secretary	Debbie Hicks
Treasurer	Norma Barber
Chaplain	Karen Walker
Historian	Georganne Dorr
Sgt. at Arms	Sue Richey
"E" Board	Nancy Scott
Jr Past Pres	Nora Pirrie



SONS OF THE LEGION

Commander	Damian Vonahlefeld
1st Vice CDR	Greg Knight
2nd Vice CDR	Randy Palmore
Adjutant	Jach Schleyer
Finance Officer	Bill Vokoun
Sgt. at Arms	Randy Houck
Chaplain	Wayne Sybert
Historian	OPEN



LEGION RIDERS

Director	Jeff Boggs
Vice Director	Dale Nichols
Treasurer	Bill Vokoun
Secretary	Angie Cearley
Chaplain	Angela Stanfield
Road Captain	Scott Rees
Sgt. at Arms	Darrell Cearley
Historian	Vickie Pearson

Legion Riders Corner -

The American Legion Riders are sponsoring the Freedom Flight POW/MIA balloon (freedomflight.org) at this year's Tigard Balloon Festival June 23-25 at Cook Park.

The ALR would like to thank everyone that has stepped up to assist with the Festival of Balloons fundraising efforts and have attended the meetings to date. Currently, we have the booth signup sheet ready, and it is available at the meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in Fisher Hall at the post. For those who work and cannot attend but still would like to sign up, please email Angela Stanfield and she can let you



know the current availability at that time. We hope to see you at a meeting because it entails more than just sitting behind a table. We have secured the department van for the weekend to act as a shuttle from the post to the festival and back to ease

parking constraints as well. Balloon Bucks are now available for \$5 at the bar. All proceeds go toward the festival fundraising goal and back to the programs. Remember this is a great opportunity for the American Legion Family to gain membership and exposure. We hope to see you at the next meeting!

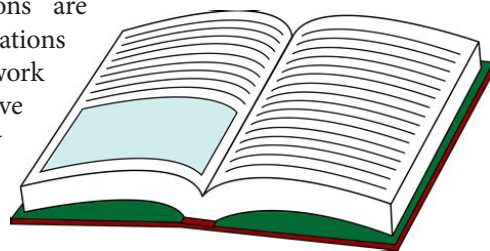
For additional information please contact Angela Stanfield 503-290-6886 or angelas0304@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
American Legion Riders

From Larrie Noble -

We have the C Ray Wilson scholarship program that has been a valuable resource for the Students in the Tigard Tualatin school district. We usually have between 12-15 applicants for the \$500 scholarships. The applicants have shown us how very industrious, hardworking, and focused they are on their educational goals. Many of the applicants are in Advanced Placement classes, already receiving college credit. There are 5 Legion members who read and determine who the recipients will be. These decisions are

not easy and the applications accentuate the hard work these students have done and their many accomplishments. The applications will come in early May,



be read and then will be awarded at the Senior Honors night. We have been able to award scholarships to both Tigard High and Tualatin High in the past.

We have a second scholarship program this year so we can support our Boys State attendees who both did extremely well. You will see "Scholarship Bucks" for sale for \$5 being offered this year because the Legion wanted to honor these outstanding young men who did not meet qualifications for the C Ray Wilson scholarship. One of our attendees was selected to go to Boys Nation and many of you heard him speak at the Americanism dinner about his adventures and what he learned from this experience.

Please donate to the scholarship programs with either a donation to the C Ray Wilson program or to the boys from Boys State scholarships by purchasing the "Scholarship Bucks".

We have been recognized in the community for our support of the students and I really want to ask you for support for our young leaders in our community. I realize there are other programs at the Post requesting money as well as inflation is hitting all of us. I just would ask for you to support these kids with any amount you feel comfortable in giving. Every \$5 adds up and we can continue to actively participate in the ongoing education of our young adults.

Thank you all for your support of these Legion programs.

Larrie Noble

New Movement Class

There will be a new class on
Wednesday afternoons at 1:00
"Rocking Portland Bridges"

that uses body movements, centered around the Clystik to create awareness and balance within the body and mind
led by Steve Stephens.
"Pause your Mind"

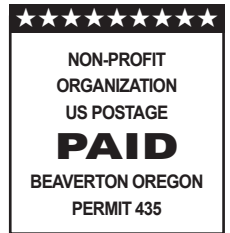
Announcements:

Reminder:
Our General Meeting is the
second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

There will be no Bingo on the
2nd Tuesdays of the month until June.
We hope to see you there.



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Current Post Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	3:30 - 10
Wednesday	Noon - 10
Thursday	3:30 - 10
Friday	3:30 - 11
Saturday	3:30 - 11
Sunday	10-6

Karen Walker
Auxiliary Chaplain

As Auxiliary Chaplain, please let me know if you need any Get Well or Sympathy cards sent to our members. You can send me an e-mail at: karenrw@comcast.net or call 503 964-4923



Harry Thomas
Legion Chaplain

I can be reached by calling the Post at 503.624.2332

Post 158 Email Updates

In an effort to increase transparency and alert you as quickly as possible to any changes in post policies and exciting events or volunteer needs. We will begin sending email alerts and updates in addition to the bi-monthly newsletters. To ensure you don't miss anything please send the following information to tigardamericanlegion@gmail.com.

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Alternatively you can go to our website: <https://www.tigardamericanlegion.org/> and click on the Sign Up for Newsletter button and fill out your information there.

If you recently updated your contact information you can disregard this notice.